

## **AS LONG AS JESUS WINS!**

Philippians, #3

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**Text:** Philippians 1:12–18

**Truth Points:** What truth was covered this weekend in the message?

1. Paul says, “what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel.” What all had “happened” to Paul? What all had he endured? How did Jesus advance the Gospel each time?
2. Recall Acts 23–26. How many times had Paul been deemed innocent? Yet, how many years had he now been imprisoned? And now, “church people” are afflicting him. What empowers him to “rejoice” in these circumstances?
3. The whole Praetorium Guard and even the Emperor’s family had heard about Jesus because of Paul (Philippians 4:22). How many specific people can you name who were impacted by Paul’s ministry?

**Reflection Points:** How does God want me to think, feel, act, and speak because of this truth?

1. What circumstances has Jesus used in my life to advance the Gospel? What opportunity is He giving me right now?
2. Am I willing to take rejection for Jesus? How about ridicule, slander, insult, and assault? How about just letting go of anger, comfort, or self-importance? Paul was, Richard Wurmbrand was, Monica was, Horatio Spafford was. How about me?
3. Who has Jesus used to impact me with the Gospel? Who might Jesus use me to impact? Am I ready – whatever the cost?

**Action Points:** What am I going to do this week because of this truth?

1. **Read** all of Philippians in preparation for next week.
2. **Reflect** on Philippians 1:20 every day. Is Jesus honored in me today?
3. **Memorize** Philippians 1:21, “For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”
4. **Examine** Yourself: Is Jesus winning in me?
5. **Share** the JOY of Christ with three people. Help Jesus Win: give them a hug; tell them you love them; serve them; and sacrifice for them with a glad heart.